Claims

What is claimed is:

- 1. A watch comprising:
- a watch mechanism including a timekeeping display;
- a watchcase supporting the watch mechanism such that the timekeeping display is presented to a user;

an elongated band having opposite ends and including an internal core of elastic material and an outer cover, each end of the internal core defining a loop; and

band-securing structure secured to the watchcase at opposite ends thereof, the band-securing structure engaging the ends of the band to secure the band to the watchcase such that the band and watchcase collectively define a closed loop for attachment of the watch to a user's wrist.

- 2. The watch according to claim 1, wherein the outer cover is made from a fabric material and defines gathered portions of the fabric material.
- 3. The watch according to claim 1, wherein opposite terminal end portions of the internal core are reversed upon themselves to define the loops.
- 4. The watch according to claim 3, wherein each of the terminal end portions of the internal core is secured in its looped configuration by at least one line of stitching.
- 5. The watch according to claim 1, wherein the band-securing structure includes a pair of spaced supports at each end of the watchcase and a retainer received within each of the loops of the band, each retainer secured to one of the pairs of spaced supports.
- 6. The watch according to claim 5, wherein each retainer has opposite ends received within aligned recesses in the spaced supports of the associated pair of supports.

- 7. The watch according to claim 6, wherein each retainer includes a central body having opposite ends and pins received in opposite ends of the central body, the pins dimensioned for receipt within the recesses in the spaced supports.
- 8. The watch according to claim 3, wherein the outer cover includes opposite terminal end portions enclosing the terminal end portions of the internal core, and wherein the terminal end portions of the outer cover are reversed upon themselves together with the terminal end portions of the internal core.
- 9. A band for securing a watch to a wearer's wrist, the band comprising: an extensible strip of an elastic material forming an internal core portion of the band; and

a cover enclosing the core portion,

the internal core portion having opposite terminal ends each defining a loop adapted for engagement with an end of a watchcase.

- 10. The watch-securing band according to claim 9, wherein the cover is made from a fabric material and defines gathered portions of the fabric material.
- 11. The watch-securing band according to claim 9, wherein opposite terminal end portions of the internal core are reversed upon themselves to define the loops.
- 12. The watch-securing band according to claim 11, wherein each of the terminal end portions of the internal core is secured in its looped configuration by at least one line of stitching.
- 13. The watch-securing band according to claim 11, wherein the outer cover includes terminal end portions enclosing the terminal end portions of the internal core, and

wherein the terminal end portions of the outer cover are reversed upon themselves together with the terminal end portions of the internal core.

14. A set of apparel articles comprising:

an elongated band having opposite ends adapted for engagement with bandsecuring structure of a watch; and

a hair band defining a closed loop,

each of the watchband and the hair band comprising an internal core of an elastic material and an outer cover enclosing the internal core, the outer covers of the watchband and the hair band having similar colors or presenting patterns that are recognizable as being included in a common category to visually indicate that the watchband and the hair band belong together in a set of articles.

- 15. The set of articles of claim 14, wherein the outer cover of each of the watchband and the hair band are made from a fabric material and define gathered portions of the fabric material.
- 16. The set of articles of claim 14, wherein the outer covers of the watchband and the hair band present identical patterns.